



Urban Garden Trend #4 by GASA: Vertical Gardening

From jungle to urban life

The vertical garden is one of the noticeable trends within Urban Gardening and fits hand in glove with tight urban spaces. The first experimental "vertical gardens" were inspired by the jungle with its many vertical-growing parasitic plants. But today, the vertical gardens represent a rapidly growing market.

Vertical gardens are increasingly seen as an integral part of the architecture; as pillars in shopping centres, as large living works of art on hotel walls, or as entire buildings creating a green lung in the urban space. For many reasons.

Firstly, the vertical garden creates life and seems to make the building come alive. Secondly, the vertical garden creates space on the balcony for a kitchen garden, for instance. It can either grow on an entire wall or building or serve as a living work of art indoors, while improving the indoor climate at the same time.

There is always a wall...

Where there is a wall, there is room for a green oasis. This is the philosophy behind the vertical garden. Vertical Garden is the result of a need to incorporate wildlife into the city, and as space and land are expensive and hard to obtain in urban areas, the vertical solution is a strong alternative.

One of the pioneers of vertical gardens is Patrick Blanc, biologist and author of the book "The Vertical Garden". He is among the world's leading players in the field with more than 120 plant walls to his name, from Bangkok to New York. His idea is to create interaction between gardening and hybrid architecture.

The vertical garden is not just about setting up an espalier up which plants can grow. It is about converting walls into the actual medium in which the plants grow. Many different solutions exist today, from plant pockets you can simply hang on the wall, to advanced, self-watering systems - and there are plenty of ideas for DIYers. As early as in 1988, Patrick Blanc took out a patent for a vertical garden system which ensures a thriving garden without soil.

Today, there are a vast number of different solutions on the market, and producers report that demand is increasing.

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